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Serious Accident Investigation Team Delegation of Authority

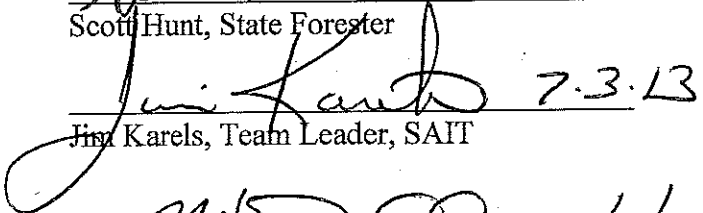
On the afternoon of June 30, 2013, nineteen members of the Granite Mountain Type 1 Hotshot Crew from Prescott, Arizona were killed while fighting the Yarnell Hill Fire.

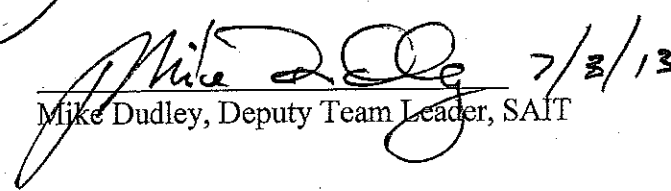
As the State Forester of Arizona, I authorize Jim Karel's Serious Accident Investigation Team to conduct the accident review of the Yarnell Hill Fire. This delegation is to perform the serious accident review of the Yarnell Hill Fire with the final objective of providing a factual and management report for accident prevention. I also authorize Mike Dudley as the Deputy Team Leader.

Your duties include but are not limited to:

1. Organizing, conducting, and controlling the accident investigation.
2. Providing for in briefings and out briefings with affected agency officials.
3. Coordinating information exchange between team members, local law enforcement, coroner's office, and others.
4. Requesting technical, logistical, or other support as required to conduct the investigation.
5. Assist the State Forester's information staff with addressing the media on your makeup, purpose, methodology, and estimated timelines, including attending press conferences if necessary.
6. The Forestry Division shall be the final repository for all team paperwork and reports.
7. Provide the following formal briefings/reports:
 - a. Expanded Report (72 Hours)
 - b. Factual and Management Report.


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Jim Karel, Team Leader, SAIT


Mike Dudley, Deputy Team Leader, SAIT